



NEWS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

PAVING WORK CONTINUES ON AVILA BEACH PROJECT

SHELL BEACH – The southbound lanes of Hwy. 101 will be closed **on an alternating basis** from Avila Beach Drive to Spyglass Drive on Friday, Nov. 21 and Monday, Nov. 24 from **6 am to 4 pm**.

These lane closures will allow for paving of the new and existing lanes on southbound Hwy. 101 as part of the Avila Beach climbing lane project.

The southbound on/off-ramps of Hwy. 101 at Avila Beach will be subject to partial daytime closures for bridge work. The northbound on-ramp is subject to periodic daytime closures for earth work. Motorists can expect a delay not to exceed 10 minutes.

This project is expected to be complete in January 2009, weather permitting.

All local businesses in the Avila Beach area remain open for business.

For traffic updates on other state highways in San Luis Obispo County, motorists can call Caltrans District 5 Public Affairs at 805-549-3318 or can visit the District 5 website at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/maint/road/upslo.htm>

